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Mr. Henry Wade
District Attorney
Dallas, Texas

Dear Henry,

I know you have believed from the first that Oswald was not alone. I do not know whether you believe, as I do, that there was a systematic counterfeiting of him. Not only in Dallas, where the evidence is overwhelming, but also in New Orleans, Atlanta and Miami. In each of these cases it is repitious and coming from solid, substantial people, not kooks. In fact, I have one of the early Warren Commission staff memos on this, never published, in which a senior counsel identified four men by name who had, in Dallas, been taken for Oswald, and my emphasis, like his, is on identification by name. God known how many there were not identified by name.

One instance seemingly never followed by your local police or by the Commission, and from my incomplete knowledge, abandoned by the FBI, which was never anxious to find Oswald other than entirely alone, is reflected in the enclosed pages 255 and 256 from the Commission's File 205.

If one of your investigators can find the time to see Mrs. Jackson, whose address is given, to either get copies of these papers allegedly left by "Oswald" or to learn their contents, the name of the bank, whether or not she ever pressed charges on the check and anything special about this person and any companions (including the date), or to learn that the story is false, it would be helpful. It serves a purpose to establish these reports as false, if they are, to prevent their misuse in the future. But in this connection, let me remind you of the arrest of several men on dangerous drug charges 9/17/63 (and they also had a trailer-load of weapons). These men were said by the FBI to have, on a later trip to Dallas, to have had a "Leon Oswald", closely resembling the real one, with them. These men also said one of their number, William Seymour (with Loren Hall, charged with the drug offense, with regular mug shots taken and color Polaroids), looks like Oswald. Hall told me he made about a half dozen trips that year.

On our previous correspondence about Curry's book, I have obtained a microfilm of the so-called "Texas file" from the Library of Congress. Everything is in it except the pictures. With Curry's use of the picture, I think there is little validity in the "private use" ploy. If the police gave this to the Warren Commission, knowing its identification will serve my purposes, unless it is lost or, as is less uncommon than one could hope, disappeared. Here again, I fear an innocent error may cause more mischief and I would like to be able to check this out thoroughly. And if your copy of the radio logs is from the police and is the one in the Texas report, I have it - and it is inadequate and incomplete. Thanks for anything you can do, and hope you have a good year.

Sincerely,
Harold Weisberg